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APPELLANT'S REPLY BRIEF PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.193

Appellants submit this Reply in response to the Examiner's Answer mailed on August 19, 2002 ("Examiner's Answer") in connection with the above-identified patent application.

Appellants note, with appreciation, that the Examiner has withdrawn the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph based on the term "heteroaliphatic" that had previously been entered with respect to the appealed claims.

As discussed in greater detail below, the remaining rejection based on 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph is improper and should be withdrawn.

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The Examiner's Answer Fails to Demonstrate That the Claims are Indefinite

The Examiner has not established that a skilled artisan, upon review of the present specification and claims, would be unable to determine whether a compound of interest falls within the scope of the claims. The Examiner alleges that the terms "cycloaliphatic," "polycycloaliphtic," and "heteropolycycloaliphatic" are "not recognized in the art of organic chemistry. Thus, we do not know what Applicants intend by these unique terms since the prefixes conflict with the stem word aliphatic." (Examiner's Answer at page 4). Appellants have demonstrated, however, that the cited terms *are* recognized in the art. Appellants provided chemical literature during prosecution, and resubmitted the literature with Appellants' Brief', in which the terms were used in a manner consistent with their use in the present specification. The cited terms are therefore recognized and used in the art of organic chemistry and those of skill in the art understand their intended meaning. Significantly, the Examiner has failed to provide any credible evidence to the contrary.

Moreover, the specification contains an explanation and description of the groups encompassed by the cited terms. (See, for example, page 10, lines 1 to 25 and page 11, line 5 to page 12, line 2 of the specification as filed). In addition, over fifty examples of groups encompassed by the terms are listed in the specification. *Id.* Accordingly, those of skill in the art, upon review of the specification, would appreciate the intended meaning of the cited terms and would understand which groups are encompassed by the terms. The Examiner has failed to establish otherwise, and has failed to establish that those of skill in the art could not determine whether a particular compound falls within the scope of the claims.

¹Additional copies are attached as Appendices A and B.

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In support of the Examiner's assertion of indefiniteness, the Examiner has cited In re Barr, 444 F.2d 588 (C.C.P.A. 1971) (Examiner's Answer at page 4). In re Barr addressed, in part, whether the claim term "phenyl radical" was indefinite. The specification at issue contained no definition of the term, and, accordingly, the court presumed that the term had been accorded its commonly accepted technical meaning. Id. at 597. In addition, Appellants had not referred the court to a chemical reference indicating that the commonly accepted technical meaning of the term was consistent with the term's usage in the claims at issue. Id. at 597. The court held that "on the present record" the claims reciting the term "phenyl radical" were indefinite. Id. at 597 (emphasis added).

Notably, in contrast to the present situation, the court in *Barr* based its holding on the fact that the specification at issue did not even attempt a definition of the term "phenyl radical." *Id.* at 597. As previously mentioned, the present specification contains an explanation and description of the groups encompassed by the terms "cycloaliphatic," "polycycloaliphtic," and "heteropolycycloaliphatic." In addition, the court in *Barr* also based its holding on the fact that Appellants had not demonstrated that the term "phenyl radical" was used in the claims in accordance with its commonly accepted technical meaning. *Id.* at 597. In contrast, in the present situation, Appellants have demonstrated that the terms at issue have acquired an accepted technical meaning that is consistent with their use in the present claims by making of record numerous publications in which the terms have been used in the art. Accordingly, the factual scenario that led the court in *Barr* to hold that the term "phenyl radical" was indefinite is vastly different from the present factual scenario, and the *Barr* decision is therefore of limited applicability to the present rejection.

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The Examiner has also cited *In re Barr* regarding "the use of non-patent literature to establish that disputed phrases were art-recognized." (Examiner's Answer at page 6). As best understood, the Examiner appears to be asserting that the literature cited during prosecution of the present application cannot be used as evidence that the terms "cycloaliphatic," "polycycloaliphtic," and "heteropolycycloaliphatic" are recognized in the art. The portion of the Barr opinion quoted by the Examiner addressed, in the context of an appeal from the Board of Appeals' decision regarding a § 112, second paragraph rejection, whether extra-record evidence could be the basis for taking judicial notice that certain disputed claim terms were recognized in the art. 444 F.2d at 591. The court indicated that the extra-record references could not be used for such purposes. Id. During prosecution of the present application, however, the literature cited establish that the terms "cycloaliphatic," "polycycloaliphtic," "heteropolycycloaliphatic" are recognized and understood in the art was made of record. In addition, the § 112, second paragraph rejection is not before a tribunal in which the presiding Judge has the option of taking judicial notice of indisputable facts. Hence, the portion of In re Barr opinion quoted by the Examiner is not applicable to the present rejection.

Moreover, the court in *Barr* held, based upon the record evidence, that the disputed claim terms were not indefinite, and reversed the Board's finding of indefiniteness. *Id.* at 592. The court based its holding on the fact that the solicitor had not produced any evidence that one skilled in the art could not determine whether a particular compound contained the chemical groups to which the disputed claim terms referred. *Id.* at 591. The court further based its holding on the fact that generally accepted chemical literature indicated that those skilled in the art *would* understand the disputed terms:

The solicitor has not directed our attention to any evidence in the record or any indication in generally accepted references in the art that a competent photographic chemist could not ascertain whether any given chemical did or did not contain either a 5-pyrazolone coupler radical or an open-chain ketomethylene coupler radical and therefore whether the appealed claims did or did not read on the given chemical to that extent, and what we find in what we take to be generally accepted references is to the contrary.

Id. at 591. Similarly, during prosecution of the present application, the Examiner has failed to provide any *evidence* that those of skill in the art could not determine whether a given compound falls within the scope of the claims. The Examiner has merely *argued* that the claim terms are "improper" and cannot be understood. Accordingly, the Examiner has failed to establish that the claims do not meet the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

The Examiner has also cited *In re Cavallito*, 306 F.2d 505 (C.C.P.A. 1962) for the proposition that conflicting definitions of the term "aliphatic" exist, and has quoted the following passage from the opinion:

[t]here is no question but the term in question in rejected claims 1 and 35 is such a broad term that it will embrace subject matter not disclosed in the specification. The specification does not disclose any factors governing the selection of the claimed "three lower-aliphatic groups."

(Examiner's Answer at page 5). As discussed in Appellants' Brief, *In re Cavallito* is inapposite to the present rejection because it is directed to an enablement rejection, rather than an indefiniteness rejection. The issue decided in *In re Cavallito*, and to which the above quotation is directed, was whether the scope of the claims was commensurate with that of the disclosure. *Id.* at 511. Accordingly, *In re Cavallito* does not provide controlling legal authority relevant to the present rejection.

The Examiner has further cited allegedly conflicting definitions of the term "aliphatic" apparently to demonstrate that the terms "cycloaliphatic," "polycycloaliphtic," and "heteropolycycloaliphatic" are indefinite because "conflicting definitions of 'aliphatic'...doom such precision." (Examiner's Answer at page 7). As best understood, the Examiner appears to be asserting that the presence of "aliphatic" in each of the disputed terms renders the terms indefinite due to allegedly conflicting definitions of "aliphatic" found in various dictionaries. The term "heteroaliphatic," which the Examiner has indicated is not indefinite, contains the term "aliphatic," however. Applicants are at a loss to understand how the presence of "aliphatic" in the terms "cycloaliphatic," "polycycloaliphatic," and "heteropolycycloaliphatic" renders those terms indefinite, while the presence of "aliphatic" in the term "heteroaliphatic" does not render that term indefinite.

The Examiner has again cited *Ex parte Cavallito*, 160 U.S.P.Q. 509, 510 (Bd. App. 1967); *In re Lund*, 376 F.2d 982, 153 U.S.P.Q. 625 (C.C.P.A. 1967); *In re Holmen*, 347 F.2d 852, 146 U.S.P.Q. 290 (C.C.P.A. 1965); and *In re Cavallito*, 306 F.2d 505, 134 U.S.P.Q. 370 (C.C.P.A. 1962) in support of the proposition that "both [the] U.S. Court of Customs and Patent Appeals and the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences have wrestled with the meaning of 'aliphatic.'" (Examiner's Answer at page 7). The cited opinions, however, are directed to rejections under the *first* paragraph of 35 U.S.C. § 112 and address whether the scope of the claims at issue was commensurate with that of the disclosure. Contrary to the assertion made in the Examiner' Answer, the opinions are *not* directed to determining whether the claims

at issue were indefinite. Accordingly, the cases do not provide controlling legal authority relevant to the present rejection.

The Examiner has also alleged that "open language" is used in the specification to describe the terms "cycloaliphatic," "polycycloaliphtic," and "heteropolycycloaliphatic" (Examiner's Answer at page 5), and has apparently based the indefiniteness rejection on the use of such language. The Examiner has failed to demonstrate, however, that, regardless of whether the Examiner looks favorably upon the language used in the specification to describe the cited terms, one of ordinary skill in the art could not understand the intended meaning of the terms and would not be able to ascertain the scope of the present claims upon review of the specification. The Examiner has therefore failed to demonstrate that the cited terms do not meet the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

The Examiner has further alleged that, based upon the description provided in the specification, the meaning of the term "heteropolycycloaliphatic" is unclear and the groups encompassed by the term cannot be ascertained. (Examiner's Answer at pages 5 to 6). The specification describes the intended meaning of the term by stating that:

an **aliphatic** group...may be an optionally substituted C_{1-10} aliphatic group. Particular examples include optionally substituted straight or branched chain C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{2-6} alkenyl, or C_{2-6} alkynyl groups...**Heteroaliphatic** groups...include the aliphatic groups just described but with each group additionally containing one, two , three or four heteroatoms or heteroatom-containing groups...Optionally substituted **cycloaliphatic** groups...include optionally substituted C_{3-10} cycloaliphatic groups. Particular examples include optionally substituted C_{3-10} cycloalkenyl, e.g. C_{3-7} cycloalkyl or C_{3-10} cycloalkenyl, e.g. C_{3-7} cycloalkenyl groups...Optionally substituted **heterocycloaliphatic** groups...include optionally substituted C_{3-10} heterocycloaliphatic groups. Particular examples include optionally substituted C_{3-10} heterocycloalkyl, e.g. C_{3-7} heterocycloalkyl, or C_{3-10}

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 $_{10}$ heterocycloalkenyl, e.g. C_{3-7} heterocycloalkenyl groups, each of said groups containing one, two, three or four heteroatoms or heteroatom-containing groups...Optionally substituted **polycycloaliphatic** groups...include optionally substituted C_{7-10} bi- or tricycloalkyl or C_{7-10} bi-or tricycloalkenyl groups. Optionally substituted **heteropolycycloaliphatic** groups...include the optionally substituted polycycloalkyl groups just described, but with each group additionally containing one, two, three or four...[hetero]atoms or groups.

(See page 10, lines 1 to 13 and page 11, lines 5 to 23 of the specification as filed)(emphasis added). The specification also provides over fifty examples of cycloaliphatic, polycycloaliphatic, heterocycloaliphatic, and heteropolycycloaliphatic groups. (See page 11, line 25 to page 12, line 2 of the specification as filed). In addition, Example 42 describes the synthesis of a compound in which R³ is a heteropolycycloaliphatic group. Based upon the description provided in the specification, Appellants are at a loss to understand how the Examiner can fail to appreciate the intended meaning of the term "heteropolycycloaliphatic."

Since it is undisputed that those skilled in the art would be able to determine whether or not a compound of interest is within the scope of the claims, the rejection for alleged indefiniteness should be withdrawn.

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Conclusion

For the foregoing reasons, and those set forth in the Appeal Brief, Appellants request that this patent application be remanded to the Examiner with an instruction to both withdraw the outstanding rejections, and to allow the appealed claims.

Respectfully submitted,

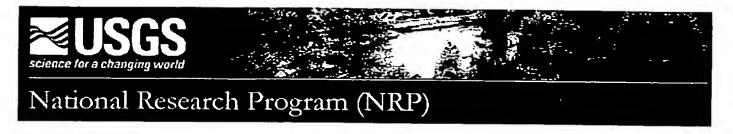
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APPENDIX A



Partial List of Abstracts, 1992

Aiken, G. R., 1992, Chloride interference in the analysis of dissolved organic carbon by the wet oxidation method: Environmental Science and Technology, v. 26, p. 2435-2439.

One of the common methods for determining DOC concentrations in water samples used wet oxidation with persulphate. The effects of chloride ions on the determination of DOC by this method were investigated in a gas-tight reaction chamber at a temperature of 100C for 5 minutes. The presence of chloride in concentrations greater than 0.02 M interfered with the analysis of aqueous DOC concentrations by the wet oxidation method when a reaction time of 5 minutes was used. Chloride competed with DOC for persulphate, lowering the overall oxidation efficiency. The oxidation of chloride produced hypochlorous acid which reacted with DOC to produce chlorinated intermediate compounds. The interference could be removed by increasing the reaction time or by diluting samples so that the chloride concentration was less than 0.02 M. A method that used persulphate oxidation combined with UV irradiation was unaffected by the presence of chloride.

Aiken, G.R., McKnight, D.M., Thorn, K.A., and Thurman, E.M., 1992, Isolation of hydrophilic organic acids from water using nonionic macroporous resins: Organic Geochemistry, v. 18, no. 4, p. 567-573.

A method was developed for the isolation of hydrophilic organic acids from aquatic environments using Amberlite XAD-4 resin. The method used a 2 column array of XAD-8 and XAD-4 resins in series. The hydrophobic organic acids, composed primarily of aquatic fulvic acid, were removed from the sample on XAD-8, followed by the isolation of the more hydrophilic organic acids on XAD-4. For samples from several diverse environments, more of the dissolved organic carbon was isolated on the XAD-8 resin (23-58 per cent) than on the XAD-4 resin (7-25 per cent). For these samples, the hydrophilic acids have lower carbon and hydrogen contents, higher oxygen and nitrogen contents, and are lower in molecular weight than the corresponding fulvic acids. Carbon-13 NMR analyses indicated that the hydrophilic acids have a lower concentration of aromatic carbon and greater heteroaliphatic, ketone and carboxyl content than the fulvic acids.

Alpers, C.N., Nordstrom, D.K., and Burchard, J.M., 1992, Compilation and interpretation of water quality and discharge data for acid mine waters at Iron Mountain, Shasta County, California, 1940-91: U.S. Geological Survey Water-Resources Report, 91-4160, 173 p.

This report contains a compilation and interpretation of the historical records of water quality and discharge for the period 1940-91 from the two most significant discharge points for acid mine drainage at Iron Mountain, Shasta County, California--the Richmond and Lawson portals. The primary objective is to formulate a conceptual model of subsurface processes that accounts for trends with time of water quality and discharge volume from the two mine portals. It is proposed that Zn/Cu ratios in the effluent waters are controlled by alternating periods of precipitation and dissolution of Fe-sulfate minerals such as melanterite ((Fe(II), Zn, Cu) SO4*7H2O)). Copper is concentrated

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Dissolved Organic Carbon Concentrations and Compositions, and Trihalomethane Formation Potentials in Waters from Agricultural Peat Soils, Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, California: Implications for Drinking-Water Quality

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U.S. Geological Survey Water-Resources Investigations Report 98-4147

APPENDICIES

Appendix A: Field and Sample Collection Methods

Appendix B: Dissolved Organic Carbon and Ultraviolet Absorption Measurements

Appendix C: Dissolved Organic Carbon Fractionation and Isolation

Appendix D: U.S. Geological Survey Trihalomethane Methods

Appendix E: Carbon-13 Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Analyses

Appendix F: Preliminary Data for Wetland-Habitat Ponds

APPENDIX A: FIELD AND SAMPLE COLLECTION METHODS

Installation of Samplers

Four sampling sites were established along an east-west transect at the northern end of the agricultural field (fig. 2). These sites were spaced about 40 ft apart and about 50 ft south of the ditch that drains the field. The sites were located to sample subsurface drainage from the field. At each site, lysimeters (1.5-in. diameter, 6-in. long, with 0.2-mm pores) were installed to sample soil water from 0.5 to 1.5 ft below land surface, and piezometers (1.25-in. diameter, 2 ft long, with 0.02-in. slots) were installed to sample ground water from 4.5 to 6.5 ft below land surface (fig. 3). The lysimeters, piezometers, and extension tubes were constructed of 316L stainless steel to prevent carbon contamination from sampling materials.

The holes for the installation of the lysimeters and the piezometers were drilled using a gas-powered, tower-mounted drill with a 4-in. bit. The holes were evacuated using a 1-in. water pump. The piezometers were lowered onto a bed of sand (#2/12), and the annular space was packed with sand to about 1 ft above the sampling interval. The remaining annular space was filled with bentonite grout to land surface. The lysimeters were placed on a bed of silica flour, a silica flour slurry was packed around the sampler, and bentonite grout was used to seal the hole from the top of the sampler to land surface. After installation, the piezometers initially were developed using a peristaltic pump until the effluent was clear. Lysimeters initially were developed after the field was flooded.

Sample Collection and Field Measurements

Lysimeters are designed to sample soil water from unsaturated soils, which, in contrast to piezometer sampling of ground water, usually do not yield large sample volumes. Thus, development of lysimeters prior to sampling involved evacuating or purging the lysimeter using a peristaltic pump and either Teflon or c-flex tubing and stainless-steel tubing. These sampling materials were used to

prevent carbon contamination of samples. After initial purging, the lysimeters were evacuated every 15 to 20 minutes, and the soil water samples were collected in 1-gal, baked, amber glass bottles placed in a bucket of ice to keep the samples chilled and to slow microbial decomposition of DOC. Because of the small volume of soil water available under unsaturated soil conditions, lysimeter sampling continued throughout the day to yield the maximum amount of sample possible.

Temperature of the lysimeter samples was measured immediately on the purged soil water. A 15- to 20-mL subsample from the lysimeter sample was measured for pH and specific conductance in the field. The pH and specific conductance meters and probes were calibrated, checked, and recalibrated, if necessary, before each measurement. The pH values for the lysimeter samples are questionable because of degassing of CO₂ and exposure to atmospheric gases during sampling.

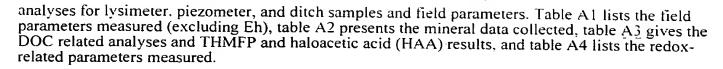
Samples were pressure filtered (0.45 μ m) in the field using a peristaltic pump. The pump, tubing, and filter were flushed with at least 1 L of deionized water and 75 to 100 mL of sample water prior to collecting the samples. Analysis of organic-free water filtered through the set up after the deionized water rinse yielded a DOC concentration of < 0.2 mg/L, indicating no contamination of samples from the filtering procedure.

Piezometers also were sampled using a peristaltic pump and Teflon or c-flex tubing and stainless-steel tubing. Prior to sample collection, at least three casing volumes (about 2.5 gal) of water were purged, and then 20-mL test samples were collected every 5 to 10 minutes to test piezometer development. Specific conductance of the 20-mL test samples was measured, and samples for laboratory analysis were collected only after successive specific-conductance measurements were within 5 percent of each other, indicating that aquifer water was being pumped. Sample water was collected in 1-gal, baked, amber glass bottles, and temperature and pH were immediately measured for a 20-mL subsample. Piezometer samples were pressure filtered, as described above, for the lysimeter samples, except that 1,000 mL of sample water was filtered through the filtering apparatus following the deionized water rinse and before filling the sample bottles.

Lysimeter and piezometer samples were filtered into sample bottles, preserved, and stored on ice until they reached the laboratory for analysis. The DWR Bryte Laboratory analyzed samples for DOC, UVA, THMFP (dose-based), Br, Ca, Mg, K, Cl, SO4, and alkalinity. Methods of sample preservation and analysis are reported in California Department of Water Resources (1994b). Split samples also were collected for analysis of DOC, UVA, and THMFP by the USGS Laboratory in Boulder, Colo., as described in appendixes B and D. All samples sent to the USGS Laboratory were packed in ice and shipped to be received at the laboratory within 24 hours.

In August 1996, it was determined that other redox parameters should be analyzed, and, in September 1996, the reactivity-based method to determine THMFP was added to the analyses. The redox parameters added to the laboratory analysis included total Fe and Mn and N species (nitrite, nitrate, and ammonium). In addition, a flow-through chamber was used to collect piezometer samples and to monitor other parameters. The reactivity-based method for determination of THMFP is described above in the Trihalomethane Formation Potential section of this report.

Use of the flow-through chamber for monitoring DO, Pt-electrode Eh, and pH allows accurate measurement of these parameters for ground water without contamination by minimizing exposure to atmospheric gases (U.S. Geological Survey, 1980). Water was pumped through the air-tight, flow-through chamber (fitted with DO, Pt-electrode, and pH probes) from the bottom to exclude any air. Meters and probes were calibrated and water was pumped through the flow-through chamber during piezometer development. After at least three casing volumes of water had been pumped through the chamber, DO, Eh, pH, and specific conductance were monitored, and piezometer samples were not collected until these parameters had stabilized (indicated by successive readings not changing by more than about 5 percent). This technique is not applicable to lysimeter sampling because lysimeters usually sample unsaturated soil, and sample degassing and exposure to atmospheric gases affect DO, pH, and Eh measurements. Included in this appendix are tables reporting the DWR Bryte Laboratory



APPENDIX B: DISSOLVED ORGANIC CARBON AND ULTRAVIOLET ABSORPTION MEASUREMENTS

Filtered (0.45 mm) samples collected for the measurement of DOC and UVA at 254 nm were packed in ice and shipped to the USGS Laboratory in Boulder, Colo. DOC measurements were made with an OI model 700 total organic carbon analyzer. UVA measurements were made with a Hewlett Packard 8453 spectrophotometer. All measurements were made within I week of sample collection. The DOC, UVA, and SUVA data collected during the study are presented in tables B1, B2, and B3 respectively. SUVA is calculated by dividing the UVA values by the DOC concentration. This normalizes the UVA data to carbon and represents the amount of aromaticity per milligram of DOC in a sample.

Quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) for the DOC and UVA measurements consisted of selecting two or three samples at random and analyzing another sample aliquot (split) at the end of a set of analyses. The QA/QC data and summary statistics for the DOC and UVA measurements are presented in tables B4 and B5 respectively. The difference between a sample and its split can be used to distinguish differences between sample analyses that are significant from those differences caused by random error, which occur in every measurement. For example, if the difference in DOC concentration or UVA between any two samples is less than or equal to the mean differences in tables B4 and B5, then that difference is a result of random error and the samples have essentially the same value. Only if the difference between two samples is greater than the mean difference listed in tables B4 and B5 can we be confident that a significant difference in DOC or UVA values exists.

APPENDIX C: DISSOLVED ORGANIC CARBON FRACTIONATION AND ISOLATION

A major component of this study involved the fractionation (separation) of the DOC into five operationally defined categories and the isolation of the organic matter of two of these categories for analysis by ¹³C-NMR spectroscopy. These techniques are necessary in the investigation of the role of organic compounds in geochemical processes because the reactivity of an organic compound is determined by its structure, and the DOC content of surface and ground water is composed of thousands of individual compounds, each with its own unique structure. Structure refers to molecular weight and the relative amount of functional groups (carboxylic acid, ether, amine, and so forth). Because each compound has a unique structure and many of these compounds are present in low concentrations, the fractionation and subsequent identification of all compounds individually is impractical. However, it is possible to fractionate compounds with similar structures together into the following operationally defined categories: HPOA, hydrophobic neutrals (HPON), HPIA, hydrophilic neutrals (HPIN), and low molecular weight hydrophilic acids. This fractionation was accomplished with the use of XAD-8 and XAD-4 resin. A description of the physical and chemical properties of these resins is given in Aiken and others (1992).

The HPOA and HPIA fractions constitute the majority of organic carbon in fresh waters. Aiken and others (1992) define HPOA "as that portion of the DOC that sorbs on a column of XAD-8 resin at pH 2 under conditions where k' is 50 for the column, and is eluted at pH 13. This fraction can contain aliphatic carboxylic acids of five to nine carbons, one- and two-ring aromatic carboxylic acids, one- and two-ring phenols, and aquatic humic substances," and they define HPIA "as that portion of the DOC contained in the XAD-8 resin effluent at pH 2 that sorbs on a column of XAD-4 resin under conditions where k' is 50 for the column, and is eluted at pH 13. This fraction can contain polyfunctional organic acids and aliphatic acids with five or fewer C atoms." The capacity factor, k', is the grams of solute on resin per gram of solute in column void volume.

The ability to isolate compounds that possess similar structures greatly facilitates the study of THM formation. Because the compounds in each operationally defined category have similar structures, each category of organic carbon will react differently with chlorine. For example, Rook (1977) and Reckhow and others (1990) have suggested that the formation of THMs is a result of the reaction of chlorine with aromatic rings in humic substances. Humic substances are classified among the HPOA and are defined as an extremely complex and diverse group of poorly biodegradable decomposition products and byproducts of natural organic matter, which are produced by both plants and animals and whose structure is not well defined (Snoeyink and Jenkins, 1980). Thus, by being able to fractionate the portion of the DOC that is reactive with chlorine, its overall structure can be determined, and the amount of the total DOC that it constitutes can be calculated. This fractionation will lead to a better understanding of the processes controlling the formation and seasonal variability of THM precursors in a given environment and the development of possible land and water use strategies that can be employed to keep the formation of THMs to a minimum.

Samples collected for fractionation and isolation were filtered (0.45 µm) in the field into stainless steel containers, shipped in ice to the USGS Laboratory in Boulder, Colo. and refrigerated until they were fractionated on the columns. The piezometer samples were fractionated on 295-mL capacity columns. These columns process sample volumes of 15 L with a DOC concentration of no greater than 20 mg/L for maximum adsorption efficiency. The piezometer samples always had concentrations greater than 20 mg/L so they were diluted with 0.01 normality (N) HCl to a concentration of about 15 to 20 mg/L before being run on the column. The samples were acidified to pH 2 by the addition of 12.1 N HCl before they were run on the columns. Acidifying the sample enhances adsorption on the nonionic resin by neutralizing negatively charged species. After acidification, the samples were run on the two XAD resin columns connected in series with Teflon tubing at a constant rate of 60 mL/min. Samples were run through the XAD-8 column first and then through the XAD-4 column. To ensure collection of a sufficient amount of material for analysis by ¹³C-NMR spectroscopy, enough sample was collected to fractionate each sample through two sets of columns concurrently. After all of the sample was run through the columns, each column was separately back eluted with 0.1 N NaOH to desorb the material adsorbed on the column. One liter of 0.1 N NaOH was run through the columns at 20 mL/min. and collected in volumetric flasks. The eluates were immediately acidified to pH 2 by the addition of 12.1 N HCl.

The next step in the procedure was to remove salts from the samples. After back elution, the eluates were pumped back onto the respective XAD columns and Cl was removed by flushing with deionized water until the water coming out of the bottom of the column had a specific conductance of less than 750 μ S/cm. Both columns were again back eluted with 0.1 N NaOH and the eluate passed through columns containing hydrogen-saturated cation exchange resin. The cation exchange columns were flushed with deionized water until the specific conductance of the water coming out of the bottom of the column had a specific conductance of less than 50 μ S/cm, signifying removal of Na. After the desalting procedure, the sample was freeze dried and analyzed by 13 C-NMR spectroscopy.

The lysimeter samples were fractionated on 20-mL columns because a sufficient volume of sample to run them on the 295-mL columns could not be collected, except for a sample collected from lysimeter 2 on January 2, 1997, which was fractionated on the 295-mL column. The 20-mL columns process a sample volume of 1 L with a DOC concentration of no greater than 20 mg/L for maximum adsorption efficiency. The lysimeter samples always had concentrations greater than 20 mg/L, so they were diluted with 0.01 N HCl to a concentration of about 15 to 20 mg/L before being run on the column. One liter of sample was run through the XAD-8 column, and the effluent was collected in an Erlenmeyer flask. The XAD-8 effluent was then run through the XAD-4 column and the XAD-4 effluent was collected in an Erlenmeyer flask. The samples were run through both columns at a rate of 4 mL/min. After all the sample was run through the columns, each column was separately back eluted with 100 mL of 0.1 N NaOH at a rate of 2 mL/min. The eluates were collected in volumetric flasks and acidified to pH 2 with 12.1 N HCl. Because the 20-mL columns process only 1 L of sample, not enough organic material is adsorbed on the resins to isolate for analysis by 13 C-NMR

spectroscopy.

The fractionation of the samples onto the XAD-8 and XAD-4 resins allows for a calculation of the mass of each operationally defined category (fraction), expressed as the percent of the original total DOC mass for a particular sample. Data for each fractionation sample collected during the study are listed in table C1. The percent of the total mass that each fraction represents was calculated by summing the masses of each fraction for a sample and dividing the mass of each fraction by the total mass and then multiplying by 100. These fractionation calculations were performed on both runs of the 295-mL columns (table C2).

The mass of each operationally defined category for the 295-mL columns was calculated in the following manner: An initial DOC sample was collected from each sample after it was acidified, but before it was run on the column. Once the sample was running through the columns, a DOC sample was collected from the effluent of each column at 2-L intervals and at the end of the run. Each eluate was analyzed for its DOC concentration before it was desalted. A plot of DOC concentration versus volume of sample passed through the column was made for each sample (fig. C1). The area under the XAD-8 curve represents the mass of C in the XAD-8 effluent. The area under the XAD-4 curve represents the mass of C in the XAD-4 effluent. The total mass of C put on the columns was calculated by multiplying the initial DOC concentration by the sample volume (15 L). The mass of the HPOA fraction was calculated by multiplying the DOC concentration of the XAD-8 eluate by its volume (1 L), and the mass of the HPIA fraction is calculated by multiplying the DOC concentration of the XAD-4 eluate by its volume (1 L). The mass of the HPON fraction is calculated by subtracting the sum of the mass of C in the XAD-8 effluent and the mass of C in the XAD-8 eluate from the initial mass of C put on the column. The HPIN fraction is calculated by subtracting the sum of the mass of C in the XAD-4 effluent and the mass of C in the XAD-4 eluate from the mass of C run through the XAD-4 column (the XAD-8 effluent). The HPON and HPIN are those compounds that adsorb onto the XAD-8 and XAD-4 resins, respectively, but are not dissolved during the back elution with NaOH. The mass of the low molecular weight HPIA fraction is the mass of C in the XAD-4 effluent.

The mass of the operationally defined categories for the 20-mL columns was calculated differently than for the 295-mL columns because the columns were not connected in series. An aliquot of sample, usually 20 mL, was removed from the 1-L sample before being run on the XAD-8 column to measure the DOC concentration of the sample. The sample volume was brought back up to 1 L with deionized water before being run on the XAD-8 column. This procedure was done so that a constant volume was being run through the columns. After the sample was run through the XAD-8 column, an aliquot of the XAD-8 effluent, usually 20 mL, was removed so that the DOC concentration of the XAD-8 effluent could be measured. The volume of the effluent was brought back up to 1 L with deionized water before being run on the XAD-4 column. The DOC concentration of both eluates and the XAD-4 effluent also was measured. The total mass of C put on the columns was calculated by multiplying the DOC concentration of the sample by the sample volume (1 L) minus the volume taken for DOC analysis. The mass of the HPOA fraction was calculated by multiplying the DOC concentration of the XAD-8 eluate by its volume (0.100 L) and the mass of the HPIA fraction was calculated by multiplying the DOC concentration of the XAD-4 eluate by its volume (0.100 L). The mass of the HPON fraction is calculated by subtracting the sum of the mass of C in the XAD-8 effluent (calculated by multiplying the volume of the XAD-8 effluent collected by its concentration) and XAD-8 eluate from the mass of C put on the XAD-8 column. The mass of the HPIN fraction was calculated by subtracting the sum of the mass of C in the XAD-4 effluent (calculated by multiplying the volume of the XAD-4 effluent collected by its concentration) and XAD-4 eluate from the mass of C put on the XAD-4 column. The mass of C put on the XAD-4 column was the product of the concentration of the XAD-8 effluent and the volume of the XAD-8 effluent collected minus the amount taken for DOC analysis. The mass of the low molecular weight HPIA fraction was the mass of C in the XAD-4 effluent.

APPENDIX D: U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY TRIHALOMETHANE METHODS

Background

It has been known for more than 20 years that dissolved natural organic materials (NOM) form THM and other DBPs on chlorination of drinking waters (Rook, 1974; 1977). The formation of DBP during treatment is problematic because of the carcinogenic properties of these compounds (Rook, 1974). However, little is known about the natural processes that form and(or) concentrate the chemical precursors to DBP.

The chemical structure of NOM and associated DBP precursors vary with many environmental and chemical parameters, including the source of the organic material, age of the organic material, diagenetic history, soil type, season, molecular size, pH of the source waters, and so forth. Examination of the formation of DBP in waters collected over an annual cycle from different flowpaths in the Twitchell Island study site should provide insights into the sources and processes that lead to elevated NOM concentrations and elevated DBP formation in these waters.

The primary sources of NOM in Twitchell Island pore waters are organic material in the peat soils or degrading above- and below-ground crop biomass. Secondary heterotrophic productivity may alter the chemical composition of the organic material and thus either concentrate or degrade DBP precursors. Some NOM (only 2 mg/L as DOC) is present in water siphoned onto the island, but represents only a small fraction of NOM present in the samples analyzed as part of this study.

Given the sources, NOM can arise from three distinct soil zones: the upper oxidized zone, the lower reducing zone, and the zone periodically exposed to oxidizing and reducing conditions during watertable fluctuations. The extent of each of these zones can vary seasonally, depending on irrigation practice, intentional winter flooding, and seasonal rainfall.

As discussed in the body of this report, samples were collected from two soil zones for determination of THMFP and pertinent physical and chemical parameters. Ancillary physical and chemical parameters are reported in appendix A.

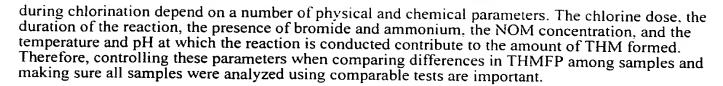
The Chemistry of Disinfection Byproduct Formation

Dissolved chlorine, used for disinfection of drinking water, disproportionates to hypochlorous acid (HOCl) and chlorine. HOCl, in turn, rapidly reacts with ammonia to form chloramines and with Br to form hypobromous acid (HOBr). Together, HOCl, HOBr, and chloramines react with inorganic and organic compounds present in the treated waters. In particular, they react with NOM to form THM and other DBP.

The reactions that form THM are additions and substitutions to chemical structures commonly found in NOM, generally additions to olefins and substitutions in aliphatic and aromatic compounds. The abundance of these chemical structures determines the speed and extent to which THM forms on treatment, as well as they carry information about the source and diagenetic history of the NOM (Reckhow and Edzwald, 1989).

Thus, intrinsic, source-related properties of the reactive chemical structures in NOM determine the amount of THM formed during chlorination. Several studies have been undertaken with model compounds to provide insights into the reactivity of structures within NOM (Rook, 1976; 1977). Aromatic structures, such as substituted benzenes, and other electron-rich structures, such as ketones, generally are reactive, but reactivity estimates for a variety of olefinic structures were unavailable. Reactions generally can be grouped into the aromatic type and ketone type for the purpose of understanding the activity of NOM structures.

In addition to the intrinsic chemical structure of the NOM, the speed and extent of formation of THM



Methods Employed by the U.S. Geological Survey Laboratory for Trihalomethane Formation Potential Analysis

Several tests for the capacity of natural waters to form DBP are currently in use (Reckhow and Edzwald, 1989). The results obtained using these tests are highly dependent on the method used, so care should be taken in comparing data using different analytical methodologies. Two different tests were conducted as part of this study to determine the THMFP of the tested waters. The majority of the data was generated using the dose-based test (THMFP_{db}), in which a fixed amount of chlorine is added to the sample (California Department of Water Resources, 1994b). Data of this type were collected throughout the study and were used to generate the seasonal comparisons. The second type of test was the reactivity-based test (THMFP_{rb}), in which the chlorine demand is calculated to determine chlorine dose. For an accounting of which THMFP method was applied to which samples and how the results of different methods compare, see the Trihalomethane Formation Potential section. The THMFP tests used here are significantly different from the commonly used simulated distribution system (SDS) test.

Whole-water samples were kept refrigerated until analyzed and were analyzed within 1 week of collection. The freeze-dried eluates were prepared for the THMFP test by dissolving 5 mg of material in 0.5 L of a 0.001N NaHCO₃ solution. Aliquots of the sample were taken for DOC and UVA measurements. The rest of the sample was then treated in exactly the same manner as the wholewater samples.

To determine the chlorine demand of each sample, prior to chlorination, the DOC and ammonia concentrations were determined for all samples. All samples were chlorinated with a dose based on the inorganic and organic demand according to the following formula, based on the method of Krasner and Sclimenti (1993):

$$[Cl_2] = (3x[DOC]) + (7.6 \times [NH_3])$$

Ammonia concentrations were determined using a HACH kit according to the method 8038 of the HACH Water Analysis Book (HACH, 1992). The procedure employs direct nesslerization of wholewater samples, reacting 25 mL of each sample with Nessler reagent for 1 minute, then measurement of solution color against a blank on a spectrophotometer at 425 nm. DOC measurements were made in duplicate by persulfate oxidation on a Oceanics International model 700 TOC analyzer.

The THMFP_{rb} for each sample was determined using a modified version of method 5710 B described in Eaton (1995). Briefly, samples were buffered to pH 8.4 with a freshly prepared NaH₂PO₄*2H₂O/Na₂HPO₄ buffer solution, and the pH corrected to 7 using 0.5 M HCl or 0.5 M NaOH. Samples were then transferred into a 72-mL serum vial and sealed using a Teflon-faced septa without leaving a headspace (to prevent volatilization of THM). The chlorination solution was injected by syringe through the septum, allowing the displaced volume to exit through a second syringe. The bottles were then incubated for 7 days at 20°C in a controlled-temperature recirculating bath.

The chlorination reaction was terminated by pouring 30 mL of the sample into a 40-mL screw-top vial fitted with a Teflon-faced septa, followed by 2 mL of sodium sulfite solution (1.5 M). Chlorine residual was determined on the remaining sample using HACH procedure 8167 (HACH, 1992).

Samples were extracted from the aqueous phase by first adding sodium chloride (8 g) to reduce solubility of ether and to increase partitioning of THM into the organic phase, vigorously shaking the vial for 20 seconds, then adding 3 mL of methyl tert butyl ether and shaking for 2 minutes. After allowing 10 minutes for separation of the organic and aqueous layers. 1.5 mL of the organic layer was removed to an autosampler vial using a Pasteur pipet and then immediately sealing the vial.

Quantification of THM was accomplished using a Hewlett Packard 5890 II gas chromatograph fitted with an auto injector, a capillary split-splitless inlet, and a Nickle⁶³ electron capture detector. Baseline chromatographic separation was obtained using a DB-1 fused silica capillary chromatography column (30 $M \times 0.25$ mm i.d.). The column oven was programmed to hold an initial temperature of 40°C for 4 minutes, increased to a final temperature of 100°C at a rate of 15°C/min, and held for 3 minutes.

THMs were identified by comparing the peak retention time to that of authentic standards. THMs were quantified by comparing the peak area of sample analyses to the areas resulting from the injection of calibration standards of known concentration. THMFP data obtained using this method for samples from this study are presented in table D1.

APPENDIX E: CARBON-13 NUCLEAR MAGNETIC RESONANCE ANALYSES

Introduction

The study of the nature, reactivity, and environmental significance of organic matter in aquatic systems is hampered by the inherent chemical complexity of the organic matter. Fractionation of DOC on XAD resins results in fractions of the DOC that are themselves complicated, heterogeneous mixtures. Typically, the complicated mixtures obtained from the fractionation of DOC into compound classes are characterized by elemental, molecular weight, acid-base titration and amino acid analyses, and by ¹³C-NMR, ¹H-NMR, and IR spectroscopy. The fact that the fractions are complex, heterogeneous mixtures limits the amount of information that can be obtained about the composition of the mixture using each of the above methods, but these techniques do provide valuable structural and functional group information that, taken as a whole, can be used to establish the nature and source of organic isolates.

Selected samples collected during this study were analyzed by ¹³C-NMR to learn more about the differences in chemical composition between different sampling locations and to relate the reactivity of these isolates to their chemical composition. ¹³C-NMR is an important technique for obtaining structural information on complicated mixtures of organic compounds, such as humic substances and coal. In recent years, use of this technique to study humic substances has increased dramatically, and a number of review articles describing the technique and its application to environmental studies have been published (Wershaw, 1985; Wershaw and Mikita, 1987; Preston, 1987; Steelink and others, 1990; Cook and others, 1996).

Two different ¹³C-NMR techniques were applied in this study. Quantitative spectra were obtained on two samples using liquid state ¹³C-NMR. This technique is time consuming and requires a relatively large amount of sample. Two samples were analyzed by liquid state NMR. A larger set of samples was also analyzed by cross-polarization (CP) magic angle spinning (MAS) ¹³C-NMR analysis, which provides qualitative data that allow comparison between samples. This method has the advantages of short analysis times and small amounts of sample. Unfortunately, there are problems inherent to this technique that interfere with the acquisition of quantitative spectra (Cook and others, 1996).

In all cases, the ¹³C-NMR spectra are comprised of six major bands. The general assignments for

these major bands are as follows:

- 1. Aliphatic I (0-60 ppm)--primarily sp3 hybridized carbons bonded to other carbons; carbons bonded to nitrogen and sulfur also can occur in this region. Methoxyl carbons occur in the approximate range from 54 to 60 ppm;
- 2. Aliphatic II (60-90 ppm)--hetero-aliphatic carbons, primarily sp3 hybridized carbons bonded to oxygens, including ether, alcohol, and carbohydrate carbons;
- 3. Acetal (90-110 ppm)--acetal and ketal carbons and anomeric carbons of carbohydrates;
- 4. Aromatic (110-160 ppm)--primarily aromatic and olefinic carbons;
- 5. Carboxyl (160-190 ppm)--carboxylic acid carbons. Ester, amide, and lactone carbons also can overlap with the carboxyl carbons; and
- 6. Ketone (190-230 ppm)--primarily ketones and aldehydes.

In general, the broad-banded nature of the spectra presented in this report indicates that the samples are complex organic mixtures.

Results

Quantitative ¹³C-NMR spectra for the HPOA fractions collected from the drainage ditch (March 1996) and Piezometer 3 (March 1996) are presented in figures E1 and E2. In general, these spectraare very similar. As discussed in the Description of Study Site and Study Design section of the report, there appeared to be a connection between the drainage ditch and site 3, and this similarity further confirms this hypothesis. The most prominent peak in each spectrum is the carboxyl peak, which indicates that these fractions of the DOC are organic acids. Each sample also has a large response in the aromatic carbon, which indicates that the samples are highly aromatic in nature. Integrating the spectra provides the percent distribution of carbon types in the samples. These data are presented in table E1. Compared to similar samples from other environments (fig. E3), the samples from Twitchell Island are more aromatic and contain fewer aliphatic-II and anomeric carbon atoms associated with carbohydrates. The differences associated with these samples are due, in large part, to differences in sources of dissolved organic matter in each environment. Based on a large data set, the Lake Fryxell and Suwannee HPOA samples represent extremes with regard to aromatic carbon content. The Lake Fryxell sample represents organic matter derived from algae and bacteria, whereas the Suwannee sample is derived largely from lignin-containing plants. The Twitchell Island samples are more aromatic than even the Suwannee sample. The large amount of aromatic carbon associated with the Twitchell Island samples is of significance in this study because of the enhanced reactivity of aromatic molecules with chlorine leading to the formation of DBP.

Intercomparison between the samples collected on Twitchell Island can be done by comparing data obtained from CPMAS ¹³C-NMR analyses. Although these data are not quantitative, qualitative differences between the samples can be identified. Representative spectra are presented in figures E4 and E5, whereas integration data are presented in table E2. Note that the ketone region (190-230 ppm) has not been included in this table because of the presence of spinning side bands in this part of the CPMAS spectrum. In addition, the integration values in the aliphatic region of the CPMAS spectra are a much greater percent, whereas the aromatic and carboxyl regions are a much lower percent relative to the data discussed above for the quantitative liquid state measurements. These differences in the spectra result from problems inherent in the CPMAS technique that are beyond the scope of this report. Interested readers are referred to the paper by Cook and others (1996) for a more detailed discussion of the difficulties in obtaining quantitative information by CPMAS ¹³C-NMR. This technique is useful, however, for an intercomparison of samples from the same location.

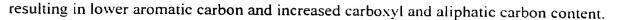
Differences between the HPOA and HPIA fractions are evident from a comparison of the spectra obtained for samples from piezometer 4 (figs. E4 and E5). The HPOA fraction has a more prominent peak in the aromatic carbon region (110-160 ppm) and a less prominent peak in the aliphatic-II region (60-90 ppm). The integration data in table E2 indicate that, for each sample, the HPIA fractions have greater carboxyl, aliphatic-II, and aliphatic-I carbon contents and are less aromatic than the corresponding HPOA fractions. These differences are apparent in the bar graph comparison of the NMR data presented for piezometer 4 in figure E6. From the ¹³C-NMR data, the major structural differences between the two fractions are that the HPIA fraction is less aromatic than the fulvic acid and has a greater amount of carboxyl and heteroaliphatic carbon. On the basis of the greater aromatic carbon content of the HPOA fractions, this fraction of the DOC is expected to be more of a factor with regard to the generation of DBP.

A comparison of the differences between different sites for a given sampling date (figs. E7 and E8) shows that there are few differences in the composition of either the HPOA or HPIA fractions. The similarities in composition for the isolates from the piezometer samples reflect similarities in the source materials, for example, the peat soils, and in the processes leading to the generation of DOC from these soils. These similarities suggest that dissolved organic matter of similar composition and reactivity would be obtained from other fields that have similar soils and land use. The compositional similarity of the samples collected from the drainage ditch and at the pump location to those samples obtained from the piezometers confirms one of the original hypotheses of this study, that the nature of the soil organic matter exerts a strong influence on the chemical composition and reactivity of the organic matter transported off the island.

Finally, samples of the peat soils also were characterized by CPMAS ¹³C-NMR (fig. E9). In general, the soil samples were observed to be more aliphatic and to contain greater amounts of carbohydrates, as evidenced by the aliphatic-II peak compared to the HPOA fractions from the lysimeters and the piezometers. The soil samples also contained significantly less carboxyl content than the dissolved HPOA fractions. These results suggest that the aromatic organic acids are removed from the peat at a faster rate than other components of the peat and that the aliphatic and carbohydrate (probably cellulose) rich fractions of the peat organic matter are selectively preserved.

It is interesting to compare the spectra for soil samples collected from depths in the soil profile that have different redox conditions. The lysimeters were 6 to 18 in. below the surface. At this depth, the soils are exposed to oxygen and are classified as oxidized. The piezometers, on the other hand, were below the water table at a depth of 54 to 72 in. in a reduced zone with little oxygen. Exposure of the peat soils to oxygen results in accelerated rates of peat oxidation, a mechanism that is largely responsible for the subsidence of soils on the peat islands as a result of wetland drainage and subsequent cultivation. CPMAS ¹³C-NMR spectra for soil samples collected near lysimeters 2 and 4 are compared with those from piezometers 2 and 4 in figures E9 and E10. As expected, the shallow samples are similar to each other, as are the deeper samples. Differences between the shallow and deep soils can be attributed to enhanced degradation of the shallow soils. The lysimeter samples are less aromatic and have less aliphatic II carbon associated with carbohydrates than the piezometer samples. The shallow samples also are enriched in carboxyl content and aliphatic I carbon. These results are consistent with greater degradation rates for the aromatic, and to a lesser extent, carbohydrate moieties in the oxidized soils compared to the reduced soils. Carboxyl groups are a product of microbial oxidation and also are consistent with a greater degree of oxidation of the shallow soils.

More detailed examination of the aromatic region of the NMR spectra for the soils indicates that the region of the spectra associated with aromatic phenols (140-160 ppm), such as tannins and lignin phenols, is depleted at a faster rate than the aromatic moieties that do not have hydroxyls associated with them (110-140 ppm). Associated with the loss of aromatic phenols is the loss at about 57 ppm of what is likely to be methoxy ethers. A model for degradation that would account for this difference involves the oxidation of aromatic phenols with the subsequent opening of the aromatic ring,



APPENDIX F: PRELIMINAR DATA FOR WETLAND-HABITAT PONDS

In addition to the primary study of DOC and THM precursors released from peat soils under agricultural production, soil water from three wetland-habitat test ponds were sampled by the USGS and samples were analyzed by the DWR Bryte Laboratory for the same parameters discussed in appendix A. The test ponds were designed to evaluate the effects of different wetland habitats on land subsidence in the Delta. Microbial oxidation of peat soil is the primary cause of currently observed land subsidence in the Delta (Deverel and others, 1998). Implementation of wetland habitats is being tested to evaluate how these treatments affect subsidence compared to nonwetland land uses (for example, drained pastures, agriculture). As part of this study, three test ponds also were monitored for potential effects of the wetlands on water quality, in particular DOC and THM precursor release.

Two of the three wetland-habitat test ponds consisted of 30-ft square enclosures, and the third test pond was a small (about 100 ft²) spring-fed pond (TwitPiz5) in a subsidence mitigation test area being maintained by DWR. One of the enclosed test ponds is flooded continuously (TwitPiz6) with about 1 to 1.5 ft of water maintained above land surface. This flooded pond has been in operation for about 4 years, and results have indicated that shallow flooding decreases subsidence rates by a factor of about four and also encourages the growth of cattails that contribute biomass back to the system. The second enclosed pond is a reverse-flooding treatment pond (TwitPiz7) that is intentionally flooded to a depth of about 1 ft above land surface from early spring until mid-July. Winter precipitation kept this pond moist to very wet (for example, standing water) during the later part of December 1996 and through February 1997.

Stainless-steel piezometers were installed in each test pond to sample water from 0.5 to 1.5 ft below land surface. In August 1996, surface water in the ponds also was analyzed. Samples were collected from the open-water and continuously flooded ponds for the September and November 1996 samplings. Results of these analyses are presented in tables F1 through F4.

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Thiophilic adsorption chromatography on Fractogel® EMD TA

Advantage of the tentacle mediated thiophilic adsorption

The high efficiency of the thiophilic adsorption chromatography is based on the specific interaction of a covalently bound sulphur containing ligand immobilized on a chromatographic support with its counterpart. The chromatographic support is designed especially for the efficient isolation of antibodies.

One disadvantage of conventional affinity chromatographic media is their relatively low protein binding capacity. In order to improve this, the amount of bound ligand should be increased. The new Fractogel® EMD TA for thiophilic adsorption chromatography is synthesized according to the tentacle technology where the group specific ligands are present in a high density. Thus, the thiophilic tentacle material has a high protein binding capacity and is suitable to purify antibodies in an analytical as well as in a preparative scale.

However, more than the density the steric accessibility of the ligand is related to a suitable capacity of an affinity gel. As known from the tentacle type ion exchangers the linear polymer chains provide an appropriate spacing which results in minimized non specific interactions with proteins combined with high protein binding capacities. In addition, the special chemistry of the 3-S type ligand that is present in Fractogel® EMD TA allows significantly better thiophilic bindings whereas the 2-S types have also hydrophobic features.

Application area

The main application area of the specific chromatographic support carrying a sulphur containing ligand is the isolation of proteins with thiophilic regions and peptides with aromatic amino residues. The corresponding technique is called thiophilic adsorption chromatography. This chromatographic method is based on a salt promoted adsorption of proteins to a sulfone and thioether containing heteroaliphatic ligand. The binding of the protein takes place mainly via accessible tryptophane and/or phenylalanine residues. Corresponding motifs can be observed within conserved regions of various antibodies.

Therefore thiophilic adsorption chromatography is very useful for the purification of immunoglobulins (monoclonal and polyclonal antibodies). Albumins are not adsorbed on thiophilic media, which often simplifies the effective separation of antibodies

Antibodies of the IgM sub-class can also be bound on a Fractogel® EMD TA column. The binding of antibodies from different species to thiophilic adsorption supports offers advantages compared to the protein A method. All antibodies tested so far bind to Fractogel® EMD TA, as shown in the table. Due to the gentle elution conditions at physiological pH values high recoveries of biological active antibodies can be obtained.

Certain other proteins and peptides carrying thiophilic areas located on their surface can also be isolated by this technique, using Fractogel® EMD TA. Operating at high concentrations of ammonium sulphate, Fractogel® EMD TA creates hydrophobic properties providing special selectivities for hydrophobic proteins.

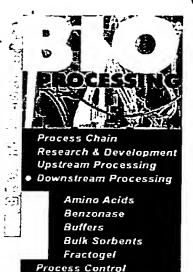
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Antibody-binding characteristics of Fractogel® EMD TA

Spezies	Fractogel® EMD TA
Horse IgG	+
Rat IgG	+
Goat IgG	+
Chicken IgG	+
Bovine IgG	+
Rabbit IgG	+
Sheep IgG	+
Dog IgG	+
Pig IgG	+
Cat IgG	+
Mouse IgG	+
Recombinant ab (scFv)	+
Human IgG3	+
Chicken (yolk) IgY	+
Human IgM	+

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Fractogel® EMD TA is an affinity resin designed specifically for the purification of antibodies and can be utilised instead of ion exchangers or in combination with other methods. The high efficiency of the thiophilic adsorption chromatography is based on the specific interaction of a covalently bound sulphur containing ligand immobilized on a chromatographic support with its counterpart. The mechanism is based on a salt promoted adsorption of proteins to a sulfone and thioether containing heteroaliphatic ligand. The binding of the protein takes place mainly via accessible tryptophane and/or phenylalanine residues. Corresponding motifs can be observed within conserved regions of various antibodies. Unlike Protein A, antibodies can be eluted at physiological pH conditions. Albumins are not adsorbed on thiophilic media, which often simplifies the effective separation of antibodies.

Antibodies of the IgM sub-class and recombinant antibodies produced in *E. coli* can also be purified.

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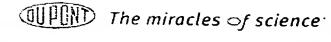
The best results for antibody isolations are obtained at ammonium sulphate concentrations between 0.8 M and 1.5 M. The elution can be achieved applying a decreasing gradient of the concentration of ammonium sulphate. Although in affinity chromatography often a step wise gradient for elution is preferred, sometimes gently decreasing salt gradients can provide better separations.

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Amines

DuPont offers a line of multifunctional aliphatic, cycloaliphatic, and aromatic amine products, which have been used in a wide variety of applications including fibers, coatings, elastomers, resins, adhesives, and scale and corrosion inhibitors. These products undergo typical amine reactions to form polyamides, isocyanates, ureas, and epoxy curing agents.

- (BHMT-HP) Bis(hexamethylene)triamine-High Purity, 98%
- (BHMT Amine) Bis(hexamethylene)triamine
- (DCH-99) 1,2-Diaminocyclohexane
- (DYTEK[®] EP <u>Diamine DAMP</u>) 1,3-Pentanediamine
- (DYTEK[®] A Amine MPMD) 2-Methylpentamethylenediamine
- (HMD) Hexamethylenediamine, Solution
- (HMD) Hexamethylenediamine, Anhydrous
- (HMI) Hexamethyleneimine

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Boron Products

DuPont has recently introduced two new boron products. Triisopropyl borate (TIPB) and Triphenylboron (TPB). Due to the diverse properties of these molecules, these products can be used in a wide variety of applications including catalyst, fuel and antifoulant additives, lubricants and precursors to boronic acids used in Suzuki coupling reactions to name a few.

- (TIPB) Triisopropyl Borate
- (TPB) Triphenylboron

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Carboxylic Acids

DuPont dicarboxylic acids exhibit typical carboxyl group chemistry leading to a variety of products serving many applications. The products can be used to formulate polyester polyols, plasticizers, chelating agents, corrosion inhibitors, and cleaning agents.

- Adi-pure[®] High Purity Adipic Acid
- CORFREE[®] M1 Corrosion Inhibitor Raw Materials
- (DBA) Dibasic Acid
- (DDDA) Dodecanedioic Acid

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Cyclics

DuPont offers a family of large-ring cycloolefinic and cycloaliphatic compounds. The cycloolefins undergo addition reactions with halogens to give products useful in flame retardants, flavors and fragrances; as monomers in polyolefin synthesis and reactants in other organic syntheses; and as solvents.

- (CDDA) Cyclododecanol
- (CDDA-HP) Cyclododecanol HP
- (CDDK) Cyclododecanone
- (CDDT) Cyclododecatriene
- (COD) Cyclooctadiene
- (VCH) Vinylcyclohexene
- XOLVONE™ DMPD Dimethyt-2-piperidone

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Esters

DuPont's intermediates include dibasic esters of both aliphatic and aromatic carboxylic acids. These esters fulfill a variety of needs as chemical intermediates and as solvents for coatings, industrial cleaning compounds, inks, fabric dyes, and chemical reactions. They undergo reactions typical of esters, including transesterification, hydrolysis, and reduction, to yield commercially significant products.

- (DBEs) Dibasic Esters
- (DBE-IB) Diisobutyl Esters
- DBE Microemulsion Concentrate

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Nitriles

DuPont high-purity nitriles are highly polar liquids that can be used as reaction or crystallization solvents or as intermediates in the manufacture of acids, amines, amides, and other products.

- (ADN) Adiponitrile
- (MGN) 2-Methylglutaronitrile
- (2PN-HP) cis-2-Pentenenitrile, High Purity

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UM-BBD Organic Functional Groups

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This is a list of 50 organic functional groups found in at least one UM-BBD compound, and, for each functional group, at least one UM-BBD compound which contains it. The UM-BBD contains many more examples of the most common groups. A graphic version of this list and a list of UM-BBD pathways ordered by functional group also exist.

Organic Functional Group	Representative UM-BBD Compounds
Methane	Methane
Alkane, primary	n-Octane
Alkane, secondary	p-Cymene
Alkane, tertiary	Methyl-tert-butyl ether
Cycloaliphatic ring	1-Aminocyclopropane-1-Carboxylate; Cyclohexanol
Bicycloaliphatic ring	(+)-Camphor
Tricycloaliphatic ring	Adamantanone
Alkene	Propylene; Styrene
Alkyne	Acetylene
Monocyclic aromatic hydrocarbon	Toluene; Ethylbenzene
Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon	Naphthalene; Phenanthrene; Fluorene
Biphenyl-type benzenoid ring	Biphenyl; 4-Chlorobiphenyl
Oxygen ether	Methyl-tert-butyl ether; Tetrahydrofuran
Thioether	Dimethyl sulfide; Methionine; Prometryn
S-heterocyclic ring	Dibenzothiophene
N-heterocyclic ring, saturated	Atrazine; Nicotine; Carbazole; 3-Methylquinoline
N-heterocyclic ring, unsaturated	Nicotine
O-heterocyclic ring	Dibenzofuran
Epoxide .	Trichloroethylene epoxide; Propylene oxide; (RS)-3-Chloro-1,2-epoxypropane
Peroxide	Octane hydroperoxide
Ketone	Methylethylketone
Thioketone	Carbon disulfide
Alcohol	o-, m- and p-Cresol; Orcinol; Pentachlorophenol; 1,3-Dichloro-2-propanol

Thiol	Methanethiol
Amine, primary	2-Aminobenzoate
Amine, secondary	Glyphosate
Amine, tertiary	Nitrilotriacetate
Aldehyde	3-Hydroxybenzaldehyde
Carboxylic acid	3-Phenylpropionate; o-Phthalic acid
Carboxylic acid ester	Butyrolactone
Carboxylic thioester	Benzoyl-S-CoA
Amide	Acrylamide; Caprolactam
Nitrile	Acrylonitrile; Bromoxynil; Benzonitrile
Oxime	Z-Phenylacetaldoxime
Thiocyanate	Thiocyanate anion
Cyanamide	Cyanamide
Nitro	Nitrobenzene; Trinitrotoluene; 4-Nitrophenol; 2-Nitropropane
Nitrate ester	Pentaerythritol tetranitrate; Nitroglycerin
Diazo	4-Carboxy-4'-sulfoazobenzene
Organohalide	1,1,1-Trichloro-2,2-bis-(4'- chlorophenyl)ethane; Trichloroethylene; Methylfluoride; Tetrachlorethylene; 1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene
Organomercurial	Methylmercury chloride
Organoarsenical	Arsonoacetate
Organosilicon	Octamethylcyclotetrasiloxane
Organotin	Tri-n-butyltin
Organophosphate ester	Paraoxon
Thiophosphate ester	Parathion
Phosphonic acid	Glyphosate
Phosphinic acid	Dimethylphosphinic acid
Sulfonic acid	Methanesulfonic acid; p-Toluenesulfonic acid
Sulfate ester	Dodecyl sulfate

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